BILL: **F2016-SR4**

TITLE: **Bylaws Amendment: Midd Speaks Creative Spaces Resolution**

SPONSOR: **Karina Toy, SGA President**
David Ollin Pesqueira, Co-chair of the Community Council

DATE: **November 13, 2016**

Whereas, the SGA of Middlebury College respects the inherent value in spaces of self-expression and collaborative expressiveness;

Whereas, this recommendation is unbinding and not intended to serve as a list of demands to the administration and all relevant representatives.

Whereas, the creation of Midd Speaks is not intended to diminish preexisting safe spaces and areas of self-expression,

Therefore be it resolved…

That, Middlebury College support the creation of an interactive space inside and outside of McCullough; "Midd Speaks"

1. The purpose of Midd Speaks is to provide a creative space in which community members will be encouraged to express themselves individually and/or collectively
2. Midd Speaks will be comprised of three creative components:
    a. The Student-Initiative Pole
    b. The Mail Room Wall designated as an open poster-art space and a book shelf for zine swaps and knickknacks
    c. An aesthetically pleasing ADA accessible Wall made of appropriate material as determined by the College outside of McCullough, preferably on the rocky surface surrounding the Student Activities Offices, for students to express themselves through temporary artistic mediums

That, the creation of the Midd Speaks should be led by student volunteers, facilitated by SGA, and approved by the respective administrative bodies including Community Council prior to implementation

That, if the contained recommendations are approved, SGA—alongside a group of student volunteers—would like to work with all relevant administrative parties to ensure logistics are met and public regulations are respected upon implementation and throughout its installation

That, the following text be inserted into the SGA Bylaws as Section VIII. Midd Speaks, pending administrative support:

(G) SGA Director of Institutional Affairs will be responsible for maintaining the Midd Speaks creative space

1. All creative installations on the Mail Room Wall that are not claimed by the end of the month will be removed
2. A photo of the Mail Room Wall will be taken prior to removal of its contents, whereby the images will be stored on the SGA website, accessible to all community members
3. SGA will provide supplies for Midd Speaks in the SGA Arts and Crafts Center
4. At the end of the year, SGA will work with the College to have the Wall scrubbed clean.

Vote Count

In favor:	President Toy, Co-chair Pesqueira, Speaker Lantigua, Senator Cohen, Senator Pustejovsky, Senator Boyle, Senator Waddell, Senator Duran (proxy), Senator Schoel (proxy), Senator Aaron, Senator Goldfield, Senator Hayes, Senator Ou, Senator Wright, Senator McCarthy
Opposed:	None
Abstained:	Senator Andrews, Senator McCormick
Absent:	None

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